

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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KEVIN G. PATTERSON,	:	
Plaintiff	:	
	:	21 Civ. 6231 (LGS)
-against-	:	
	:	<u>ORDER</u>
EXACTECH, INC.,	:	
Defendant.	:	
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LORNA G. SCHOFIELD, District Judge:

WHEREAS, the initial pretrial conference in this matter is scheduled for October 7, 2021;

WHEREAS, no significant issues were raised in the parties' joint letter. It is hereby

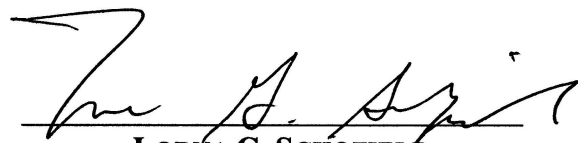
**ORDERED** that the October 7, 2021, initial pretrial conference is **cancelled**. If the parties believe that a conference would nevertheless be useful, they should inform the court immediately so the conference can be reinstated. The case management plan and scheduling order will issue in a separate order. The parties' attention is particularly directed to the provisions for periodic status letters, and the need for a pre-motion letter to avoid cancellation of the final conference and setting of a trial date. It is further

**ORDERED** that if Defendant seeks to file a motion to dismiss, it shall file a pre-motion letter pursuant to Individual Rules III.A.1 and III.C.2. It is further

**ORDERED**, regarding settlement discussions, if and when the parties are ready to proceed with a settlement conference with the assigned Magistrate Judge or mediation in the Court's mediation program, they shall file a joint letter on ECF requesting a referral.

The parties should be aware that the Court does not extend the deadlines for fact and expert discovery absent compelling circumstances.

Dated: October 1, 2021  
New York, New York

  
LORNA G. SCHOFIELD  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE